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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER RULE 1.53(b)**

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(b), please file a  continuation/ divisional of the pending prior PATENT APPLICATION of:

Inventor: GUSTAFSSON et al

Serial No. 08/860,871

Filed: 14 July 1997.

**For: NEW AMINO ACID DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE AS THROMBIN INHIBITORS**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This request for filing under Rule 53(b) is made by the following named inventor(s) (using the above-identified title):

Inventor(s): GUSTAFSSON et al

- Attached is a true copy of the prior application as originally filed including the specification, claims, Oath/Declaration and drawings (if any) and abstract (if any). No amendments (if any) referenced in the Oath or Declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter.
- Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following foreign applications, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application:

**Application Number**

9602263-7

PCT/SE97/00989

certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) attached or  
 already filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in prior appln. no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_  
 already filed in \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: -- This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

The prior application is assigned to AstraZeneca AB.

Power of Attorney has been granted to Leonard C. Mitchard et al, Reg. No. 29,009 of Nixon & Vanderhye P.C., 1100 N. Glebe Rd., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Arlington, VA 22201.

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Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line --This is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/860,871, filed July 14, 1997, allowed, which is a continuation of PCT/SE97/00989, filed June 5, 1997, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

This application is entitled to "Small entity" status.  "Small entity" statement attached.

Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.

The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein.

Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment **prior** to calculation of filing fee:

The entire disclosure of the prior application above-referenced is considered as being part of the disclosure of this new application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

Also attached:  **Information Disclosure Statement** ;  **Non-Publication Request**;  **Other:**

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